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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, 1882.

號七十二月二英香港

PRICE \$21 PER MONTH.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

February 17, *Princess*, British steamer, 575, A. A. McCashin, Pahoi, 14th Feb.,
Hochow 15th, Macao 17th, General—
Russell & Co.

February 18, *Yarover*, British steamer, 734, Chinkiang, 15th February, Rice—
Siemens & Co.

February 18, *Porker*, British steamer, 500, J. G. Abbott, Foochow, 14th February,
Amoy 15th, Seaton 17th, General—
Douglas Lapraik & Co.

February 18, *Bangalore*, British steamer, C. Briner, Bombay 28th January, Galle,
Penang, and Singapore 12th February,
Maitland & General—P. O. S. N. Co.

February 18, *Emerald*, British steamer, 335, R. Lubbock, Wanshan 15th February,
General—Russell & Co.

February 18, *Hainan*, British steamer, 268, J. Mooney, Harpham 15th February,
General—Arono & Sing Loong.

February 18, *Procula*, German str., 847, S. Ost, Manila 12th February, General—
Wieland & Co.

February 18, *Vladivostock*, Russian str., P. S. Noroff, Bangkok via Siam 14th
February, Rice—Meichers & Co.

February 18, *Glenruik*, British steamer, 1,362, Hogg, London 2nd January, and
Singapore 12th February, General—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

February 18, *Citrus*, British steamer, 799, S. M. Orr, Shanghai 15th February,
General—Siemens & Co.

February 18, *Littorina*, German gunboat, 400, Klant, Swatow 15th February.

February 18, *Amatross*, British ship, Commander Arnold J. Errington, Macao
14th February.

February 18, *W. H. Briss*, American bark, 1,027, C. B. Baker, Melbourne 7th Jan.,
Ballast—Russell & Co.

February 19, *Dreima*, German str., 1,151, Peckover, Saigon 14th February, Rice—
Siemens & Co.

February 19, *Hungaria*, British steamer, 984, W. McD. Alison, Nagasaki 13th
February, Coal—Geo. E. Stevens &
Co.

February 19, *Thistler*, British steamer, 1,600, S. F. Cole, Shanghai 16th February,
Mail and General—P. O. S. N. Co.

February 19, *Sir Ruffles*, British schooner, 187, W. S. Freesman 7th January,
Sandalwood—Siemens & Co.

February 19, *Wilhelmsburg*, German
S.m.sch. 234, C. Brand, Chefoo 10th
February, General—Wieland & Co.

February 19, *Himalaya*, British steamer, 515, W. K. Beale, Saigon 14th Feb.,
Rice—Siemens & Co.

February 19, *Geelong*, British str., 1,139, W. J. Webber, Bumby 28th January,
Singapore 1st February, General—P.
& O. S. N. Co.

February 19, *Olympia*, German steamer,
788, Wagner, Saigon 14th Feb., Rice—
Siemens & Co.

February 19, *Endymion*, British bark, 759,
T. Richardson, London 23rd September,
General—Arnold, Elsberg & Co.

February 20, *Malacca*, British str., 1,045,
H. Weighill, Yokohama 11th February,
General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

February 20, *Astra*, Danish steamer, 860,
Djorup, Saigon 14th February, Rice—
Ed. Siemsen & Co.

February 20, *Orient*, German bark, 461, W.
G. Roden, Quinhon, Feb. 6th, Salt—
Ed. Siemsen & Co.

February 20, *Ceilands*, British steamer,
709, J. R. Holman, Nagasaki 13th Feb.,
Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
FEBRUARY 20TH.

Friedrich, German bark, for Singapore.

Fokien, British steamer, for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

February 17, *Kwangtung*, British str., for
East Coast.

February 18, *Tyne*, British troopship, for
Singapore.

February 18, *Mineeva*, German brig, for
Tsitian.

February 18, *Deudalion*, British str., for
London.

February 18, *Dale*, British steamer, for
Bangkok.

February 18, *Yangtsze*, British str., for
Canton.

February 19, *Mindanao*, Spanish str., for
Manila.

February 19, *Chinkiang*, British str., for
Canton.

February 19, *Laurel*, British bark, for
Hamburg.

February 19, *Paladin*, British steamer, for
Saigon.

February 19, *Primus*, Russian ship, for
Manila.

February 20, *Twilight*, American ship, for
New York.

PASSAGERS ARRIVED.

For Bangalore, etc., from Bombay, &c.—For
Hongkong—Messrs. W. Hayes, J. Pitkirk, and
6 Chinese from Bombay. From Gallo—
Messrs. H. Bailey, C. Palmer, A. Vial, Mrs.
Morgan's amanu, and Mr. Hunt's amanu. From
London—Mr. D. Davis and Elrick, and 11 Chinese.

For Tidoo, etc., from Shanghai—For Hongkong—Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Yead, Mrs. Hill
Abraham, Messrs. P. V. Grant, L. Mendel, and
servant, T. Weir, O. Schubert, and servant,
W. Mayrkin, O. Fuchs, G. Russell, B. A. Clarke,
Blafield, H. V. David, J. Willmott, S. J.
Clegg, and servant, E. E. Soules and servant,
and 6 Chinese.

For Glenfrew, etc., from London—7 Chinese.

For Ping-ou, str., from Pahoi—Mr. Weston.

For Pihon, str., from East Coast—Captain
Scott, Messrs. N. D. Olis, Schiar, De Farn
ando, and Mr. Goldsborough and son, and 22 Chinese.

For Chinkiang, str., from Shanghai—Dr.
Large, Captain Schröder, Messrs. Steves, and
Mr. H. H. Williams.

For Geddes, str., from Bombay, &c.—Captain
J. Oest, and 67 Chinese, doctor, and 2
Chinese.

For Hindoo, str., from Saigon—3 Chinese.

For Macao, str., from Yokohama—Rev.
and Mrs. Warren and Schindler, Capt. and Mrs.
Willson, and 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy,
2 children, and 2 servants, Mrs. Hammond, Rev.
and Mrs. Wright, and child, Messrs. Anton,
Stark, Forrest, Marquis, and Hewley, and 92
Chinese.

TO DEPART.

The following passengers will depart to-day,
at 4 p.m., per mail steamer *Bangalore*.

From Hongkong—For Singapore H. S. V.
David, For Bombay—Rev. E. R. Bellamy and
native servant, Messrs. A. S. Cohen, R. B. Fan
and H. D. Ollis, From Yokohama—For London
Mrs. Warren, and 3 children, For Hindoo,
Rev. and Mrs. Wright, and child, For London
Mr. and Mrs. J. Allard, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew,
Capt. Mr. McMillan, and 3 children, Messrs. Edmund
and O. B. Riley, For Singapore—Mr. Horvey.

FOR SHIPPING REPORTS SEE SECOND PAGE.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID UP CAPITAL ... 5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND ... 2,100,000 of Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.—Chairman—H. L. DALBYTLE, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—H. DE COURCY FORBES, Esq.
Hon. Secy.—R. J. ROBINSON, Esq.
A. P. McEVAN, Esq.
W. S. YOUNG, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.—H. JACKSON, Esq.
Hongkong—T. H. JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.—E. WILSON CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS AND CO.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of
3 per cent. on the daily balance.

ON Fixed Deposits—For 3 months 3 per cent. per Annum.

For 6 months 4 per cent. per Annum.

For 12 months 5 per cent. per Annum.

LOCAL BILL OF DISCOUNT—CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and
any description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted in Hongkong.

DEAFTS.—Accepted on London and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager,
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 15th February, 1882.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMpte DE PARIS.
Incorporated 3rd March, 1848.

RECOGNITION OF CREDIT.—ACCREDITED CREDITORS granted on approved
Securities, and any description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted in Hongkong.

DEAFTS.—Accepted on London and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
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F. COCHINHIN, Agent, Hongkong.

LONDON BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

MESSRS. C. J. BROWN & CO.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.—THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company
will be held at the Office of the Company,
39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE o'clock
in the Afternoon, TO-MORROW, the 22nd
instant, for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Report of the
Directors for the year ending 31st December,
1881.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 22nd
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By Order,

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at the time of his disease filled a similar post on the staff of the Chinese Marine Corps.

On the 15th inst. the wreck of the German steamer *Quinta*, which was driven ashore some three months ago on Taishan Island, was put up to auction by Mr. F. Rapo, when it was knocked down for \$705. The cargo was sold for \$8. The purchase was a "binnacle."

When the British ship *Hindostan* was in dock at Sam Shui Pao another gongho was discovered, making three holes in all, one of which had penetrated the hull so far that it had sprung a leak, which, however, was well founded, and one man who heard the *Hindostan* says he saw a number of the former crew take an anger and go below.

The individual in question is now on his way home, and it appears impossible to get evidence sent home in time to get him committed. The *Hindostan* left here for San Francisco on the 16th inst.

The Italian corvette *Giovanni*, Captain Marin, arrived here on the 8th inst. from Yokohama, and left again on the 12th inst. for Singapore.

The Portuguese transport *Africa* left here on the 7th inst. for Macao, to return to Lisbon shortly.

The French corvette *Champagne*, Captain Dubrot, arrived here on the 13th inst. from Yokohama.

The French corvette *Kersaint*, Commander Pouquette, left here on the 13th inst. for Macao, to return to Paris.

The French corvette *Théodore*, Captain Alquier, left here on the 17th inst. for San Francisco.

On the morning of the 11th inst. the iron screw frigate *Invincible*, Captain Fitzgerald, bearing the flag of Rear-Admiral Sir Silvain C. B. the senior, corvette *Cisalpina*, Captain Stephenson, and the composite corvette *Tournaise*, Captain Demarle, came to anchor off Singapore, and anchored the remaining vessels of the French Squadron.

England, like the Cape, still pressed under canvas, and expected to arrive in Plymouth some time in July next. The Squadron arrived in Hongkong on the 20th December, and the *Carysfort* and *Tournaise* just departed, having been in port seven weeks and four days.

What good purpose can be served by filling a page of the Gazette, with a comparative statement of the amount of opium imported into China in 1879 and 1881? We know not. His Excellency's design is, however, sufficiently obvious by the footprints under each return. That under 1879 is as follows:—"Of the twenty principal ratepayers in 1876, twelve were foreign houses, contributing \$69,522, and eight were Chinese, contributing \$3,867." Now for the comparison in 1881:—"Of the twenty principal ratepayers in 1880, twelve were foreign houses, contributing \$16,038, and seventeen Chinese contributions \$9,110." It may be remarked that it paid foreigners to sell at the high rates offering; it may pay them to repurchase if the prices fall.

On the afternoon of the 11th inst. a serious accident occurred by the fall of the verandahs of two three-storyed houses in course of erection at the junction of Aberdeen street and Queen's road. The pillars supporting the upper floor of the higher building fell into the street. Three men were injured by the fall, and had to be removed to hospital. It was found at the Hospital that one man had his leg broken, another one considerable injuries to one of his legs, and the third had his collar bone badly fractured, besides minor injuries upon the whole of them. No fatal consequences are anticipated. The verandahs of the adjoining house appear to be in a very shaky condition. The plans of the building had evidently been altered by Chinese, and the work was evidently in rather hasty hands.

The steamer *Typee* arrived at Hongkong about noon on the 15th inst. She left Portsmouth on the 26th December with a naval and military force for Singapore and Hongkong. She left Singapore on the 7th inst., with a detachment of the East Kent Regiment, that she might take the place of the Royal Fusiliers, Fusiliers here, and recruits for the Artillery, Engineers, and Navy.

The *Typee* left again for Singapore on the 18th inst. with five companies of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. After conveying these detachments, the *Typee* will return here with the head-quarters of the East Kent Regiment (the Buffs), it is reported, about the middle of next month, and after a day or two of 14 days they will leave about the 8th proxime, with the head-quarters of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

On the 15th inst. the Chinese Ordinance (Opium) Amendment Ordinance, which was read a first time at the meeting of the Legislative Council on the 7th instant, is published in the *Gazette*. Its provisions are important. Soon after the present holders obtained the Opium Farm, and while the opposition at Macao was in active session, prepared their own bill for maintaining an Armament against those dealers, and should the present Armament at Macao will be transferred to Amoy as well.

We are given to understand that His Excellency, the Governor of China, who is now in Foochow, has appointed a year of inspection, and does not contemplate returning to this port until after the China New Year. His Excellency is now engaged in the construction of a massive stone bridge at a place called Tai Kung, situated about half way between Tamsui and Taiwanfoot. This bridge is to be constructed entirely of granite, and will be considerably over a mile in length. The cost of the bridge is estimated at \$100,000.

Still another departure on the part of the Chinese Government has to be recorded, in the matter of the present movement of the Imperial Guard as pseudo-manned vessels. These boats, in view of the present dull session at Amoy, have taken to running between Chusan, Chiu-er, or as it is commonly known, Cho-Chau, and Formosa, thereby diverting a great portion of the Amoy traffic from the port of Amoy, that, according to our sources, Chinese No. 8 left this port on the 3rd day of the present Chinese moon (22nd ultimo), and, while passing through the Hailan Straits the following morning towards daylight, she ran into heavily laden junk, bound from Ningpo to Amoy, and sank the latter.

There were on board of the junk some twenty or thirty passengers, besides the crew of the boat, twenty-two, including the captain. One of the passengers, the captain of the junk, was saved by the watchman. The flame rose to a great height, making a most imposing spectacle in the surrounding fog and darkness, and was not effectively subdued before half past four o'clock. Four large coolies were consumed with the small oil-burners there being no oil, and the damage is estimated at about \$20,000.

In the instant the schooner *Meadowfield* (Danes), was sold at auction by Mr. Woodford, at No. 213, Spring Gardens, and we learn from that gentleman that he and his wife were awokened at quarter to six in the morning by loud excited shouts from the occupants of the lower deck, two gentlemen. On going below to ascertain the cause of the noise, he learned that it arose from a fire which had broken out in the house of the husband. A piece of cloth soaked with kerosene had fastened on the frame-work of the window of the office, which is next to one of the gentleman's rooms, and he was aroused by hearing the window glass being broken.

With the aid of his fellow lodger, he broke open the door of the office, and succeeded in extinguishing the flames, which had then got a good hold of the cloth, and the fire rapidly spread, after which what had been done was done. Mr. Woodford was summoned by a tenant living at No. 223 in the same block of buildings, to go and see the back of that house. He went to the house, and there found that a similar attempt had been made to set that house on fire. Means of an exactly corresponding description were used, and there is no reason to doubt but it was the work of the same hand. The inference is that the intruders were probably to have set the whole block of buildings on fire, for the sake of plunder.

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The cake is cooked in a large pan filled with fat of some kind, and it seems that flames from the stove communicated to the boiling fat in the pan, which was soon burning furiously, and was about to burst into flames.

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